IV.—PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIYAR : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I, the Chairman of the Committee on Public Accounts, having been authorised by the Committee to submit the report on its behalf, present this Report on the Appropriation Accounts of the State of Madras for the year 1956–57 and the Audit Report 1958, and the Finance Accounts for the year 1956–57 and the Audit Report thereon.

V.— NON-OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

A.—BILL.

THE MADRAS DOWRY PROHIBITION BILL, 1958 (L.A. BILL NO. 21 OF 1958).

MR. SPEAKER : The hon. Member Sri Palanisami may move the Bill standing in his name.

SRI N. K. PALANISAMI : It may be postponed, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER : I have no objection. The next item is the resolution given notice of by the hon. Member Sri Ramaswamy Mudaliyar on the Food Policy of the Government.

B.—RESOLUTION.

FOOD POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIYAR : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I move—

'That the Food policy of the Government of Madras be taken into consideration'.

SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR : I second the resolution, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER : Motion moved—

'That the Food policy of the Government of Madras be taken into consideration'.

The Hon. Minister will reply to the debate at 4-15 p.m.

* SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIYAR : Mr. Speaker, Sir, in moving this resolution, I wish to touch upon only some important aspects of the problems that are now facing the Government of our State. The question has been repeatedly discussed on the floor of this House on many occasions and it is now being seriously discussed in the Press and on public platforms. The position for